

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In the summer of 2014, the skill and bravery of Brent
2 Crossley and Vance Griffin of the Texas Department of Public Safety
3 helped lead to the apprehension of a dangerous suspect; and

4 WHEREAS, On August 18, 2014, Pilot Investigator Crossley and
5 Tactical Flight Officer Griffin took to the air by helicopter from
6 Waco with another tactical flight officer from Garland in order to
7 assist in a manhunt; and

8 WHEREAS, The suspect had fired on peace officers, and
9 Officers Crossley and Griffin flew to a remote, wooded area of the
10 Hill Country, where they located and engaged with the suspect in
11 order to draw his fire away from other law enforcement
12 professionals on the ground; thanks in large measure to the swift
13 and courageous action of the men in the helicopter, the suspect was
14 arrested; and

15 WHEREAS, In recognition of their vital role in this
16 successful operation, Officers Crossley and Griffin each received a
17 Director's Citation from Texas DPS Director Steven McCraw at a
18 ceremony in Austin on December 18, 2014; and

19 WHEREAS, The men and women of Texas law enforcement regularly
20 put themselves in harm's way in order to preserve the peace and
21 protect the public, and with their actions on that fateful day,
22 Brent Crossley and Vance Griffin amply demonstrated their
23 commitment to the highest ideals of the Texas Department of Public
24 Safety; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
2 Legislature hereby commend Pilot Investigator Brent Crossley and
3 Tactical Flight Officer Vance Griffin for their actions on August
4 18, 2014, and congratulate them on their receipt of Director's
5 Citations from the Texas Department of Public Safety; and, be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
8 for Officers Crossley and Griffin as an expression of high regard by
9 the Texas House of Representatives.

Anderson of McLennan

H.R. No. 844

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 844 was adopted by the House on March 12, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House